



National Weather Service

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



May 2004

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LAKE MICHIGAN

LMZ646	Wind Pt Lt Wi To Winthrop Hbr II								
Kenosha	08	2135CST			0	0			Marine Tstm Wind (MG38)
Leftover pieces of severe storms moved out over Lake Michigan and generated strong wind gusts									
LMZ646	Wind Pt Lt Wi To Winthrop Hbr II								
Kenosha	12	1625CST			0	0			Marine Tstm Wind (MG35)
LMZ645	North Pt Lt To Wind Pt Wi								
Milwaukee Harbor	12	1650CST			0	0			Marine Tstm Wind (MG38)
LMZ665	Lm Sheboygan Wi To Winthrop Harbor II Ewd Byd 5Nm To Mid Line Of Lake								
Sheboygan	17	2232CST			0	0			Marine Tstm Wind (MG35)
LMZ665	Lm Sheboygan Wi To Winthrop Harbor II Ewd Byd 5Nm To Mid Line Of Lake								
Sheboygan	20	1800CST			0	0			Marine Tstm Wind (MG36)
A broken line of thunderstorms continued to press east after producing areas of large hail and damaging winds across south-central and southeast Wisconsin, and reached the lakeshore between 1800 and 2030 CST. The Sheboygan C-Man (Sheboygan Co.) reported a wind gust of 36 knots at 1800 CST.									
LMZ646	Wind Pt Lt Wi To Winthrop Hbr II								
Kenosha	21	0815CST			0	0			Marine Tstm Wind (MG41)
LMZ646	Wind Pt Lt Wi To Winthrop Hbr II								
1 E Kenosha	21	0823CST			0	0			Waterspout
LMZ646	Wind Pt Lt Wi To Winthrop Hbr II								
Kenosha	21	0850CST			0	0			Marine Tstm Wind (MG54)
The same cluster of thunderstorms that produced areas of wind damage across parts of south-central and most of southeast Wisconsin, moved over the lake waters a short time later. Maximum wind gusts of 41 to 52 knots (47 to 60 mph) were reported at the Coastal Observing Station in Kenosha at 0815 and 0850 CST, respectively. Those storms also produced a waterspout 1 mile east of Kenosha around 0823 CST.									
LMZ643	Sheboygan To Pt Washington Wi								
Sheboygan	21	1615CST			0	0			Marine Tstm Wind (MG43)
LMZ645	North Pt Lt To Wind Pt Wi								
Milwaukee Harbor	21	1630CST			0	0			Marine Tstm Wind (MG35)
LMZ646	Wind Pt Lt Wi To Winthrop Hbr II								
Kenosha	21	1705CST			0	0			Marine Tstm Wind (MG42)
The second round of thunderstorms plaguing southern Wisconsin during the afternoon hours, moved over the lakeshore with gusty winds. Wind gusts of 35 to 45 knots (40 to 52 mph) were reported from Sheboygan through the Milwaukee Harbor and to Kenosha from 1630 to 1715 CST.									

WISCONSIN, Southeast

Jefferson County									
5 SW Ft Atkinson to Ft Atkinson	07	0050CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
Lafayette County									
2 SW Benton to 5 ESE Shullsburg	07	1653CST 1715CST			0	0			Hail(1.00)
Isolated severe thunderstorms popped up and produced large hail. This day would be the first of 6 or 7 consecutive days with thunderstorms and possible severe weather across south-central and southeast Wisconsin due to a stagnant weather pattern that allowed several cold fronts to stall over Illinois and then move north as a warm front the next day									



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WISCONSIN, Southeast

Sheboygan County

Sheboygan	08	0400CST 0900CST			0	0			Heavy Rain
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Dane County

1 N Sun Prairie	08	0537CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
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Sauk County

Lake Delton to Reedsburg	08	1915CST 2230CST			0	0	25K		Flash Flood
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Basements flooded along with gravel washouts and roads closed as water levels rose to 1 foot deep.

Fond Du Lac County

Fond Du Lac	08	1920CST 2230CST			0	0	25K		Flash Flood
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Some water damage to homes and businesses. Gravel washouts and some roads closed due to water depths of 1 foot.

Green Lake County

Markesan	08	1926CST 2230CST			0	0	25K		Flash Flood
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Basements flooded along with gravel washouts and roads closed as water levels rose to 1 foot deep.

Sauk County

Reedsburg	08	2030CST 2200CST			0	0			Heavy Rain
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Sauk County

5 NW Rock Spgs	08	2039CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
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Sauk County

North Freedom	08	2055CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
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Waukesha County

4 S Waukesha	08	2058CST 2100CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
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Milwaukee County

Greendale	08	2100CST 2300CST			0	0			Heavy Rain
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Racine County

Union Grove	08	2139CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
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Kenosha County

Kenosha	08	2215CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
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Short lines or clusters of thunderstorms, some of them severe with large hail, moved through south-central and southeast Wisconsin. Due to intense rainfalls and training of storms, heavy rains occurred in some locations. This was especially true from northern Sauk County through southern Marquette County and over to Sheboygan County. WSR-88D Doppler radar rainfall amounts ranged from 2 to 4 inches within 1 to 2 hours. Consequently, flash flooding occurred over parts of northern Sauk County, eastern Green Lake County, and central Fond du Lac County, where some roads were closed due to water depths of 1 to 3 feet and gravel shoulder washouts. A number of homes also had moderate basement flooding in these areas. Urban/small stream flooding occurred in and around the city of Sheboygan (Sheboygan Co.) during the morning hours after 3.12 inches of rain fell overnight. A couple cars stalled in water covering low-lying areas of the city, and some basements had water infiltration. Minor urban flooding due to heavy rains was also reported from the Reedsburg (Sauk Co.) and Greendale (Milwaukee Co.) areas. Refer to the Green Lake County May 25th flood event for additional information.



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<u>WISCONSIN, Southeast</u>									
Racine County									
Caledonia	09	1200CST 1400CST			0	0			Heavy Rain
Racine County									
Burlington	09	1251CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (MG50)
Dodge County									
Waupun	09	2240CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
Scattered thunderstorms, some pulsing to severe limits, generated large hail or powerful winds. Some large trees were uprooted in the Burlington area (Racine Co.) as winds gusted to 50 kts (58 mph). Heavy rains of 2 inches in 1 to 2 hours in the Caledonia area (Racine Co.) resulted in urban-type flooding. Water depths on some roads briefly reached 6 to 8 inches.									
Milwaukee County									
Wauwatosa to 7 NW Milwaukee	10	1230CST			0	0			Hail(1.00)
Milwaukee County									
Brown Deer	10	1930CST 2030CST			0	0			Heavy Rain
Scattered thunderstorms moved through southeastern Wisconsin. One pulsed to severe limits and dumped large hail that covered the ground white in Milwaukee County. The accompanying heavy rains in the Brown Deer made one low-lying road briefly impassible.									
Marquette County									
1 S Packwaukee	12	1653CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
Green Lake County									
5 S Berlin	12	1700CST 1705CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
Marquette County									
6 NE Montello	12	1720CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
Marquette County									
6 NE Montello	12	1720CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
Short lines or clusters of thunderstorms moved through parts of south-central and southeast Wisconsin. Some of them became severe with damaging straight-line winds and large hail. Several large trees were uprooted in the Packwaukee to Montello area of Marquette County.									
Columbia County									
Portage	13	1035CST			0	0	15K		Lightning
Lightning struck the chimney of a school, knocking bricks down to the ground. A hole was blown through the roof, and the telephone and computer lines were damaged. Damage amount is estimated.									
WIZ072									
Kenosha									
14		0145CST			0	0	960K	500K	Flood
31		2359CST							
The Fox River at New Munster rose above its flood stage of 10 feet on May 14th at 0145 CST. The river crested at 13.72 feet on May 24th at 1900 CST, 3.72 feet above flood stage. At this crested level, moderate flooding occurred in low lying areas, damaging crops and flooding basements. The river fell below flood stage on June 6th. Damage to roads totaled \$192,000, damage to the water control facility totaled \$290,000, and damage to public buildings and public utilities totaled \$362,000. For more information, please consult the June edition of StormData for ending flood times. Refer to the Green Lake County May 25th flood event for additional information for May.									
Dane County									
Madison	17	1800CST 1930CST			0	0			Heavy Rain



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WISCONSIN, Southeast

Sauk County									
Spring Green	17	1827CST 1837CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
Sauk County									
Spring Green	17	1827CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
Iowa County									
5 W Arena	17	1835CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
Jefferson County									
Jefferson	17	1930CST 2100CST			0	0			Heavy Rain
Dane County									
2 N Utica	17	1940CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (EG56)
Green County									
Brodhead	17	2005CST			0	0			Funnel Cloud
Jefferson County									
Watertown	17	2015CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (MG52)
Rock County									
Beloit to Clinton	17	2028CST 2035CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (EG56)

A line of thunderstorms, some severe, rolled through south-central and southeast Wisconsin. Large hail and damaging straight-line winds gusting to 56 kts (65 mph) were generated. Large trees and some power poles were damaged, especially in the Beloit to Clinton area of Rock County. As usual, the accompanying heavy rains resulted in urban flooding (water over the curb) in Madison (Dane Co.), and in Jefferson (Jefferson Co.) where rainfall of 1/2 inch within 15 minutes was reported. Refer to the Green Lake County May 25th flood event for additional information

Dodge County									
Waupun to 2.8 SE Lomira	20	0245CST 0600CST			0	2			Heavy Rain
Sheboygan County									
1 W Random Lake	20	0445CST			0	0	130K		Lightning
May 20th was the first of three days out of four that had two rounds of severe weather or heavy rains across south-central and southeast Wisconsin. Heavy rains in the Waupun to Lomira area (Dodge Co.) during the early morning hours of May 20th resulted in urban/small stream flooding. In addition, a 2-vehicle accident occurred near Lomira. Two people were injured in this accident, which was initiated by blinding rains and lightning. In Sheboygan County, lightning struck a church. The resultant fire destroyed the 130-year old church.									

Green County									
Brodhead	20	1730CST			0	0	1K		Lightning
Kenosha County									
Salem	20	1835CST			0	0			Hail(1.00)
Kenosha County									
2 NW Pleasant Prairie	20	1839CST			0	0			Hail(1.50)
Kenosha County									
1 SE Paddock Lake	20	1853CST			0	0	25K		Thunderstorm Wind (EG61)
Kenosha County									
.5 NNW Salem to 5 NE Paddock Lake	20	1900CST 1930CST			0	0	300K	300K	Flash Flood
Racine County									
1 W Racine	20	1922CST			0	0			Hail(1.00)



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WISCONSIN, Southeast

Racine County

1 SE Elmwood Park	20	1923CST			0	0			Hail(1.75)
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Racine County

1 SE Elmwood Park	20	1923CST			0	0			Hail(1.75)
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Kenosha County

4 NNW Kenosha to 4 WNW Kenosha	20	1931CST			0	0			Hail(1.00)
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Racine County

1 W Racine	20	1936CST			0	0			Hail(3.00)
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Kenosha County

5 NW Kenosha	20	1950CST 2100CST			0	0	100K	200K	Flash Flood
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Racine County

3 S Sturtevant	20	1950CST 2100CST			0	0	100K	300K	Flash Flood
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Severe weather round #2 on May 20th featured damaging straight-line winds, large hail (up to golfball size), and flash flooding as several short lines or clusters of thunderstorms moved across south-central and southeast Wisconsin. In the Paddock Lake area (Kenosha Co.), the powerful wind gust to 56 kts (65 mph) toppled large trees, with one falling onto a home. Flash flooding over Kenosha County was the result of slow-moving, training thunderstorms that dumped 2.54 inches of rain in Paddock Lake within 45 minutes. Water levels in this city quickly rose to 1 to 3 feet, resulting in floating or stalled cars, damage to basements, and gravel washouts. In addition, mudslides and severe crop erosion occurred in the surrounding countryside. In Somers Township (5 NW of Kenosha in Kenosha Co.), almost one-half of the roads were under water, gravel washouts were common, and basement damage was noted. Gravel washouts and basement flooding were also reported south of Sturtevant (Racine Co.). Refer to the Green Lake County May 25th flood event for additional information. Lightning struck a home in Brodhead, resulting in a minor fire.

Ozaukee County

2.5 N Port Washington	21	0430CST			0	0	100K		Lightning
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Dane County

Sun Prairie	21	0500CST 0700CST			0	0			Heavy Rain
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Lafayette County

3 N Belmont	21	0629CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
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Washington County

Slinger	21	0700CST 0830CST			0	0			Heavy Rain
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WIZ059

Washington

21		0700CST 0830CST			0	0	353K	150K	Flood
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Washington County

Hartford to Newburg	21	0718CST 0730CST			0	0	350K		Thunderstorm Wind (EG78)
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Dane County

Madison	21	0720CST			0	0	150K		Lightning
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Rock County

Beloit	21	0730CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (EG50)
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Rock County

1 SW Clinton	21	0735CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (EG50)
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Ozaukee County

Cedarburg to	21	0740CST			0	0	50K		Thunderstorm Wind (MG52)
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WISCONSIN, Southeast

Grafton

Ozaukee County
Port Washington

21 0748CST 0 0 150K Thunderstorm Wind (EG65)

Rock County
Janesville

21 0753CST 0 0 Thunderstorm Wind (EG50)

Walworth County
La Grange

21 0810CST 0 0 Thunderstorm Wind (EG56)

Kenosha County
Kenosha

21 0820CST 0 0 Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)

Kenosha County
Twin Lakes

21 0835CST 0 0 Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)

Racine County
Sturtevant

21 0850CST 0 0 Thunderstorm Wind (EG56)

Ozaukee County
Port Washington

21 1630CST 0 0 25K Lightning

A morning round of severe thunderstorms affected parts of south-central and most of southeast Wisconsin, bringing with it mostly reports of damaging wind. Some of the stronger wind reports occurred in Washington and Ozaukee County where pockets of widespread tree and structural damage resulted. Hundreds of trees were toppled which crashed onto the roofs of many homes and vehicles from Hartford to Newburg in Washington County. Damage was estimated at nearly 350,000 dollars. Winds were estimated at 78 knots (90 mph) based on damage reports. In Ozaukee County, winds toppled trees which crushed 4 vehicles and 6 homes causing about 150,000 dollars in damage. Trees were also uprooted and deposited on Interstate 43 near Port Washington. Winds were estimated at 65 knots (75 mph), or hurricane strength. Other reports of damaging winds were noted across Dane, Rock, Walworth, Racine, and Kenosha counties with mainly scattered areas of tree damage. In addition to damaging winds, areas of urban and low lying flooding were reported in Sun Prairie and Slinger. Water was over the curbs in Sun Prairie and water was reported to have covered Highway 60 in Slinger. Water damage to basements, roads, water control systems, public buildings and public utilities totaled 353,000 dollars in Washington County. Lightning was reported to have started two buildings on fire in and near Port Washington (Ozaukee Co.) and is believed to have started an apartment complex on fire in Madison as well. Total lightning and fire damage was estimated at 125,000 dollars in Port Washington and 150,000 dollars in Madison (Dane Co.).

Sauk County
Reedsburg

21 1430CST 0 0 25K Lightning

Dane County
Windsor

21 1502CST 0 0 Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)

Dane County
De Forest

21 1506CST 0 0 Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)

Milwaukee County
1.5 E Brown Deer

21 1530CST
1630CST Heavy Rain

Waukesha County
2 SE Pewaukee

21 1613CST 0 0 Thunderstorm Wind (MG56)

Dane County
Madison

21 1730CST
1800CST Heavy Rain

Kenosha County
Twin Lakes to

21 1815CST 0 0 200K 100K Flash Flood



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WISCONSIN, Southeast

Kenosha **2100CST**

Racine County

Union Grove to Franksville	21	1830CST 2115CST		0	0	100K		Flash Flood
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A second round of thunderstorms on May 21st came rolling into south-central and southeast Wisconsin later in the afternoon and evening bring more damaging wind gusts, heavy rain, and lightning. Trees were reported down across mostly Dane County as a small, but intense, cluster of thunderstorms moved through. Trees were reported down in De Forest and Windsor as a result of 52 knot estimated winds (60 mph). These thunderstorms, in addition to more thunderstorms across southeast Wisconsin, brought heavy rain and localized flooding to parts of southern Wisconsin. Heavy rain and flooding in Kenosha and Twin Lakes caused 200,000 dollars in property damage (mainly basements, gravel washouts, and crop erosion), flash flooding across Racine County caused roads to flood and gravel to be washed out, and urban flooding near Brown Deer closed major intersections. Refer to the Green Lake County May 25th flood event for additional information. Lightning struck a garage and set it on fire near Reedsburg causing 25,000 dollars in damage.

WIZ071

Racine

21	1950CST		0	0	72K	50K	Flood
25	1452CST						

The Root River Canal at Raymond rose above its flood stage of 9 feet on May 21st at 1950 CST. The river crested at 11.26 feet on May 23rd at 1400 CST, 2.26 feet above flood stage. At this crested level, moderate flooding occurred. Damage to lowland crops and home basements was noted along the Root River Canal. The river fell below flood stage on May 25th at 1452 CST.

WIZ067

Lafayette

22	1237CST		0	0	50K	50K	Flood
25	0840CST						

The East Branch Pecatonica River at Blanchardville rose above its flood stage of 11 feet on May 22nd at 1237 CST. The river crested at 13.62 feet on May 24th at 0345 CST, 2.62 feet above flood stage. At this crested level, minor flooding occurred. Damage to lowland crops and home basements was noted along the East Branch Pecatonica River. The river fell below flood stage on May 25th at 0840 CST.

WIZ056-056

Sauk

22	1656CST		0	0	200K	Flood
29	0748CST					

The Baraboo River at Baraboo rose above its flood stage of 16 feet on May 22nd at 1556 CST. The river crested at 19.67 feet on May 26th at 0330 CST, 3.67 feet above flood stage. At this crested level, minor flooding occurred. The river fell below flood stage on May 29th at 0748 CST. The Baraboo River at Rock Springs rose above its flood stage of 18.5 feet on May 23rd at 1342 CST. The river crested at 20.99 feet on May 25th at 0700 CST, 2.49 feet above flood stage. At this crested level, major flooding occurred. An estimated 200K dollars in crop damage was reported along the Baraboo River. The river fell below flood stage on May 27th at 1828 CST.

Iowa County

Blanchardville	22	2305CST		0	0		Thunderstorm Wind (EG56)
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Lafayette County

Benton	22	2330CST		0	0	100K	200K	Flash Flood
	23	0300CST						

Several reports of houses flooded, people evacuated, mudslides destroyed freshly planted crops.

Lafayette County

Darlington	22	2345CST		0	0		Flash Flood
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WISCONSIN, Southeast

	23	0300CST							
Green County									
New Glarus	23	0005CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
Green County									
New Glarus	23	0005CST			0	0	25K		Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
Green County									
4 N New Glarus to Monticello	23	0030CST 0300CST			0	0	100K	200K	Flash Flood
A mudslide destroyed freshly planted crops and some basements were flooded									
Dane County									
Paoli	23	0031CST			0	0			Hail(1.00)
Dane County									
3 NW Stoughton	23	0045CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
Sauk County									
Plain to Baraboo	23	0045CST 0400CST			0	0	150K	300K	Flash Flood
Dane County									
Blue Mounds to Marxville	23	0100CST 0400CST			0	0	100K	300K	Flash Flood
Iowa County									
Highland to Arena	23	0200CST 0400CST			0	0	100K	300K	Flash Flood
Marquette County									
Packwaukee to Westfield	23	0300CST 0630CST			0	0	50K	200K	Flash Flood
Dane County									
Fitchburg to Madison	23	0330CST 0630CST			0	0	200K		Flash Flood
Rock County									
1 E Milton	23	0410CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
Walworth County									
4 NE Lake Geneva	23	0440CST			0	0	50K		Thunderstorm Wind (EG65)

A large complex of thunderstorms, mainly consisting of very heavy rain and damaging winds, raked through most of southern Wisconsin during the early morning hours. This was round number one for the day. Flash flooding was the main threat due to recent heavy rain and saturated ground. This flash flooding mainly affected south-central Wisconsin consisting of Dane, Sauk, Iowa, Lafayette, and Green counties. Lafayette and Green counties were hit especially hard. Flash flooding in Benton (Lafayette County) caused people to be evacuated from their homes. 100,000 dollars in costs resulted from flood damage. Flash flooding in Darlington (Lafayette County) caused mudslides to occur in farmers fields (destroying recently planted crops) and caused basements to flood, causing another 75,000 dollars in damage. Flash flooding in Marquette, Sauk, western Dane, and Iron counties consisted of gravel washouts, mudslides, and basement damage. In addition, flash flood rains forced a roof of a building to collapse, and basement/foundation damage was inflicted on an apartment complex. Damaging winds of 50 to 56 knots (58 to 65 mph) was the result from a small line of severe thunderstorms which produced scattered areas of tree damage from Lafayette County through Walworth County. Northeast of Lake Geneva, powerful thunderstorm winds blew a pole shed down and snapped power lines. Trees and power lines were reported down in Blanchardville, New Glarus, and Lake Geneva. Refer to the Green Lake County May 25th flood event for additional information.

WIZ068-068	Green								
23	0530CST				0	0	1K	200K	Flood



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WISCONSIN, Southeast

30 0607CST

The Sugar River at Brodhead rose above its flood stage of 5 feet on May 23rd at 0530 CST. The river crested at 8.30 feet on May 25th at 0415 CST, 3.30 feet above flood stage. At this crested level, minor flooding occurred. Crop damage along the Sugar River was reported. It fell below flood stage on May 27th at 2235 CST. The Pecatonica River at Martintown rose above its flood stage of 13.5 feet on May 24th at 1945 CST. The river crested at 16.42 feet on May 26th at 1815 CST, 2.92 feet above flood stage. At this crested level, minor flooding occurred. The river fell below its flood stage on May 30th at 0607 CST.

WIZ060

Ozaukee

23 0537CST
25 0026CST

0 0 135K Flood

The Milwaukee River at Cedarburg rose above its flood stage of 10 feet on May 23rd at 0537 CST. The river crested at 13.19 feet on May 23rd at 2145 CST, 2.49 feet above flood stage. At this crested level, moderate flooding occurred. Damage to road systems, public buildings, public utilities, and basements were reported. The river fell below flood stage on May 25th at 0026 CST.

WIZ052

Sheboygan

23 0845CST
24 2054CST

0 0 100K Flood

The Sheboygan River at Sheboygan rose above its flood stage of 8 feet on May 23rd at 0845 CST. The river crested at 9.29 feet on May 23rd at 2330 CST, 1.29 feet above flood stage. At this crested level, minor flooding occurred. Basement flooding and public utility damage was reported along the Sheboygan River. The river fell below flood stage on May 24th at 2045 CST.

WIZ057

Columbia

23 1200CST
31 2359CST

0 0 100K 300K Flood

Lowland flooding began to result after several rounds of heavy rain during the month of May. Road system damage, public building damage, public utility damage, basement damage, and crop damage was reported across Columbia County.

Columbia County

2 N Arlington 23 1720CST 0 0 Funnel Cloud

Dane County

3 S Oregon 23 1725CST 0 0 Hail(1.00)

Dane County

3 W Stoughton 23 1735CST 0 0 Hail(0.75)

Rock County

2 E Evansville 23 1744CST 0 0 Funnel Cloud

Dane County

6 NW Madison 23 1753CST 0 0 Funnel Cloud

Dane County

3.3 ESE Stoughton to 23 1755CST 1 25 0 0 Tornado (F0)
3.8 WNW Albion 1756CST

An advanced spotter videotaped a tornado that briefly spun up at 1755 CST, 3.3 miles east-southeast of Stoughton (Dane Co.), and dissipated at 1756 CST, 3.8 miles west-northwest of Albion (Dane Co.). The tornado's path was only a mile long and the width was about 25 yards. No damage was reported and this tornado was deemed an F0. The average path width was about 25 yards.

Dane County

1.2 SE De Forest to 23 1759CST 1.3 25 0 0 Tornado (F0)
1.9 E De Forest 1804CST

A tornado spun up 1.2 miles southeast of DeForest (Dane Co.) around 1759 CST, and dissipated around 1804 CST, 1.9 miles east



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					Killed	Injured	Property Crops	

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of De Forest (Dane Co.). Specifically, it spun up just northeast of the intersection of STH 51 and Vinburn Rd. and ended about 0.1 mile southwest of the intersection of Mueller Rd. and Portage Rd. The tornado's path was 1.3 miles long and 25 yards wide. No damage was reported and this tornado was determined to be an F0. Average width was about 25 yards.

Dane County								
3 NNE Albion	23	1800CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Dodge County								
Reeseville	23	1813CST			0	0		Funnel Cloud
Jefferson County								
Jefferson	23	1820CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Jefferson County								
3 S Johnson Creek	23	1820CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Waukesha County								
2 NE Delafield	23	1824CST			0	0		Hail(1.00)
Columbia County								
2 SW Fall River to 2.1 SW Fall River	23	1825CST	0.1	25	0	0		Tornado (F0)

A tornado spun up very briefly at 1825 CST, 2 miles southwest of Fall River in Columbia County. A storm survey determined the tornado's path was only a tenth of a mile and the width was about 25 yards. Its estimated position is about 0.3 mile west-northwest of the intersection of Hall Rd. and Freck Rd. No damage was reported and it was determined the tornado was an FC.

Dodge County								
2 N Beaver Dam	23	1852CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Waukesha County								
1 S Oconomowoc	23	1853CST			0	0		Hail(0.88)
Dodge County								
6 SW South Beaver Dam	23	1855CST			0	0		Funnel Cloud
Dodge County								
Kekoskee	23	1859CST			0	0		Hail(1.00)
Ozaukee County								
Countywide	23	1900CST 2030CST			0	0		Heavy Rain
Waukesha County								
Delafield	23	1907CST			0	0		Funnel Cloud
Waukesha County								
1 NE Menomonee Falls	23	1913CST			0	0		Funnel Cloud
Waukesha County								
Menomonee Falls	23	1935CST			0	0		Hail(1.00)
Sheboygan County								
7 W Cascade	23	1939CST 1941CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)
Milwaukee County								
Brown Deer	23	1941CST			0	0		Hail(1.00)
Ozaukee County								
Mequon	23	1943CST			0	0		Hail(1.50)
Ozaukee County								
10 S Port Washington	23	1943CST			0	0		Hail(1.50)
Ozaukee County								
Mequon	23	1945CST			0	0		Hail(0.75)



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					Killed	Injured	Property	Crops	

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Milwaukee County

Brown Deer	23	1948CST			0	0			Hail(1.50)
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Sheboygan County

2 S Plymouth	23	1955CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
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Moist and unstable air along a stalled frontal boundary set the stage for supercell thunderstorm development during the afternoon and evening hours. This was round number two for the day. Numerous supercells developed across southern Wisconsin by the late afternoon hours, which produced three tornadoes, numerous funnel clouds, several large hail reports, and heavy rains. Funnel cloud reports were collected from Columbia, Dane, Rock, Dodge, and Waukesha counties between 1720 CST and 1913 CST. The first tornado spun up 3.3 miles east-southeast of Stoughton (Dane Co.), the second tornado spun up 1.2 miles southeast of De Forest (Dane Co.), and the third tornado spun up 2 miles southwest of Fall River (Columbia Co.). All three tornadoes had no damage associated with them and were all classified as F0s (for detailed path lengths, path widths, and spin up and dissipating points, please consult details above). In addition to tornadoes, funnel clouds, and large hail, these storms produced heavy rain. Urban flooding resulted across Ozaukee County after storms produced 1.25 inches of rain in only a 30 minute period. A few roads were closed and gravel washouts were common. Refer to several flood and flash flood events for May 23rd, 24th, and 25th, for related information.

WIZ069

Rock

24	0122CST				0	0	300K	500K	Flood
31	2359CST								

The Rock River at Afton rose above its flood stage of 9 feet on May 24 at 0122 CST and crested on June 1st. The river fell below its flood stage on July 8th. The Rock River at Newville rose above its flood stage of 10 feet on May 26 at 1430 CST and crested on June 6th. Water damage to road systems, parks, treatment plants, and basements was noted along most rivers and streams. In addition, crop damage and erosion was moderate to severe in low lands. The Rock River at Newville fell below its flood stage on July 6th. For more information, please refer to the June 2004 and July 2004 editions of StormData. Refer to the narrative for the May 25th flood event in Green Lake County for related details.

WIZ064

Jefferson

24	1632CST				0	0	500K	500K	Flood
31	2359CST								

The Rock River at Jefferson rose above its flood stage of 10 feet on May 24th at 1632 CST. The Rock River at Jefferson crested on June 3rd at 11.51 feet. The Crawfish River at Milford rose above its flood stage of 7 feet on May 25th at 0400 CST. The river crested on June 2nd at 8.57 feet. Water damage to road systems, parks, treatment plants, and basements was noted along most rivers and streams. In addition, crop damage and erosion was moderate to severe in low lands. For more information, please refer to the June 2004 edition of StormData. Refer to the narrative of the May 25th flood event in Green Lake County for related details.

WIZ047

Green Lake

25	2115CST				0	0	300K	200K	Flood
31	2359CST								



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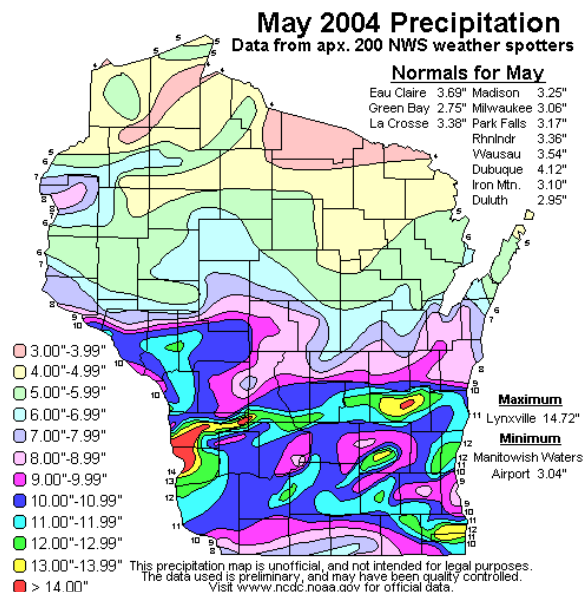
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Location	Date	Time Local/ Standard	Path Length (Miles)	Path Width (Yards)	Number of Persons Killed Injured	Estimated Damage Property Crops	Character of Storm
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The Fox River at Berlin rose above its flood stage of 13 feet on May 25th at 2115 CST. The river crested on June 18th at 16.24 feet, 3.24 feet above flood stage. Water damage to road systems, parks, treatment plants, and basements was noted along most rivers and streams. In addition, crop damage and erosion was moderate to severe in low lands. For more information, please refer to the June 2004 edition of StormData.

Several all-time monthly record precipitation totals (for any month) were recorded during May across south-central and southeast Wisconsin. Official totals that broke these records include: 13.85" in Union Grove (Racine Co.), 13.55" in Racine (Racine Co.), 13.47" in Fond du Lac (Fond du Lac Co.), 12.83" in Germantown (Washington Co.), 12.16" in Burlington (Racine Co.), 12.01" 5 miles northeast of Ripon (Fond du Lac Co.), 11.26" in Fort Atkinson (Jefferson Co.), and 11.09" in Stoughton (Dane Co.). Twenty-four other stations broke monthly precipitation records. Unofficially, a monthly total of 15.26 inches was measured on the south side of the city of Fond du Lac (Fond du Lac County), at the home of the public works director. There was another unofficial 15+ inch report near Cedarburg (Ozaukee Co.), and an unofficial 14+ inch report from near La Grange (Walworth Co.). The majority of the monthly rain across south-central and southeast Wisconsin came during the periods of May 7-14, and May 20-23

Minor to major river flooding was a concern due to widespread monthly rainfall amounts of 8 to 14 inches. The following locations had crests at or above 2 feet above flood stage sometime during the month of May: the Baraboo River at Baraboo, 3.7 feet, the Fox River at New Munster, 3.7 feet, the Sugar River at Brodhead, 3.3 feet, the Pecatonica River at Martintown, 2.9 feet, the east branch of the Pecatonica River at Blanchardville, 2.6 feet, the Baraboo River at Rock Springs, 2.5 feet, the Root River Canal at Raymond, 2.3 feet, and the Milwaukee River at Cedarburg, 2.2 feet. Most of south-central and southeast Wisconsin has not experienced such widespread flooding since 1993, and some areas haven't seen such severe flooding in 20 to 25 years.

Areas of flooding across south-central and southeast Wisconsin resulted in property and crop damage. The following counties experienced significant flood damage and received a national presidential declaration: Columbia, Dane, Fond du Lac, Green, Kenosha, Ozaukee, Racine, Sheboygan, and Washington. According to the Wisconsin Uniform Disaster Situation Report, about \$197,508 in spending resulted from debris clearance across those counties, about \$217,963 in spending resulted from emergency protective measures, about \$330,954 in damage to road systems, about \$306,000 in damage water control facilities, about \$76,854 from public building damage, about \$755,369 from public utility damage, and \$184,016 from other expenses. Total expenses come to about \$1,991,810. Two-hundred homes and 10 businesses reported minor flood damage in Columbia County; 989 homes reported minor flood damage in Fond du Lac County; 68 homes and 15 businesses reported minor flood damage in Ozaukee County; and 11 homes and 1 business reported minor flood damage, and 1 home reported major flood damage in Racine County.

Heavy rain during the month of May resulted in widespread flooding in farmers' fields, resulting in extensive crop damage. Many farmers had to wait several weeks to replant once flood waters receded, delaying the growing season 3 to 4 weeks. At the end of May, many farmers had only planted 35 to 40% of their corn crop (75 to 80% is normal), and only 5 to 10% of their soybean crop (50 to 60% is normal). Heavy rains during the month of May contributed directly to the aid of the replenishing of Lake Michigan water levels. Water levels had dropped as much as 4 feet between the years of 1997 and 2003. In May alone, water levels rose 11 inches in response to heavy rain and significant run off.